

IC 20-10.1-6

Chapter 6. Vocational Schools or Departments

IC 20-10.1-6-1

Industrial or manual training and education; establishment

Sec. 1. Industrial or Manual Training and Education - Establishment. Each governing body may establish and conduct a system of industrial or manual training and education to teach the major uses of tools and mechanical implements, the elementary principles of mechanical construction, mechanical drawing and printing. If a system is established, the governing body shall employ competent instructors in the various subjects and shall establish rules and regulations on student admissions designed to produce the best results and to give instruction to the largest practicable number. Each governing body may provide this instruction in school buildings or in separate buildings. Each governing body may require students enrolling in this system to pay a reasonable tuition fee and may differentiate between students living in the attendance unit and those living outside the attendance unit in the amount of tuition charged; however, tuition charges by a school corporation operating under IC 1971, 20-3-11 are also regulated by section 28 of that chapter.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.240, SEC.1.)

IC 20-10.1-6-2

Vocational schools or departments authorized; approved courses

Sec. 2. (a) Each governing body may establish vocational schools or departments in the manner approved by the state board of education and may maintain these schools or departments from the general fund.

(b) The governing body may include in the high school curriculum without additional board approval any secondary level vocational education course that is:

(1) included on the list of approved courses that the board establishes under IC 20-1-18.4-3; and

(2) approved under section 14 of this chapter, if applicable.

(c) The governing body shall notify the department and the department of workforce development whenever the governing body:

(1) includes an approved course for; or

(2) removes an approved course from;

the high school curriculum.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.240, SEC.1.) As amended by P.L.217-1987, SEC.12; P.L.40-2002, SEC.2.

IC 20-10.1-6-2.5

Contracts with not-for-profit corporations to establish and maintain vocational programs

Sec. 2.5. The governing body of a school corporation may contract with a not-for-profit corporation to establish and maintain a vocational program in the building trades solely for the purpose of teaching the principles of building construction to pupils enrolled in

grades nine (9) through twelve (12). A vocational program established under this section is limited to construction of buildings upon real property owned by the not-for-profit corporation.

As added by Acts 1978, P.L.112, SEC.1.

IC 20-10.1-6-3 Repealed

(Repealed by P.L.217-1987, SEC.29.)

IC 20-10.1-6-4

Class time and instruction

Sec. 4. Class-time and Instruction. Vocational schools or departments for industrial, agricultural or home economics education may offer instruction in day, part-time and evening classes so that instruction in the principles and practice of the arts can go on together. This instruction must be less than college grade and must be designed to meet the vocational needs of persons who can profit by it.

Evening classes in an industrial, agricultural or home economics school or department must offer training for persons employed during the working day and this training, in order to be called vocational, must deal with and relate to the subject matter of the day employment; however, evening classes in home economics must be open to all persons. Part-time classes in an industrial, agricultural or home economics school or department, are for persons giving a part of each working day, week or longer period to a part-time class when it is in session. This part-time instruction must be complementary to the particular work conducted in the employment, be in subjects offered to enlarge civic or vocational intelligence, or be in trade preparation subjects.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.240, SEC.1.) As amended by Acts 1977, P.L.247, SEC.2.

IC 20-10.1-6-5

Age of students

Sec. 5. Age of Students. Attendance in day and part-time classes is restricted to persons who have passed their fourteenth birthday; and in evening classes to persons who have passed their sixteenth birthday.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.240, SEC.1.)

IC 20-10.1-6-6

Attendance

Sec. 6. Attendance. If a governing body has established an approved vocational school or department for this instruction in part-time classes for regularly employed persons having passed their fourteenth birthday, it may formally choose to require regularly employed persons fourteen (14) years old or older and under nineteen (19) years to attend part-time classes, between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. during the school term, for not less than four (4) nor more than eight (8) hours per week.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.240, SEC.1.)

IC 20-10.1-6-7

Cooperative programs with employers

Sec. 7. Cooperative Programs with Employers. Each school corporation, through its appropriate officials, may enter into cooperative programs with employers of labor. These programs must include an agreement by the employer to provide employment for the students enrolled in school-directed vocational education to learn the manipulative skills or manual processes of an occupation. The employer may employ the students in otherwise restricted occupations for the purpose of vocational education training under the following conditions:

- (1) That training in the occupation is approved by a proper school authority and is school supervised.
- (2) That safety instructions are given by the school and integrated with on-the-job training by the employer.
- (3) That the student is assigned to competent adults designated by the employer for instruction and supervision in the manipulative skills or manual processes of the occupation according to a written training schedule developed by the employer and a representative of the school.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.240, SEC.1.) As amended by Acts 1977, P.L.248, SEC.1.

IC 20-10.1-6-8

Student employees

Sec. 8. (a) A student in vocational education and employed under section 7 of this chapter is entitled to the rights of recovery of a worker of at least seventeen (17) years of age under the worker's compensation and occupational diseases laws (IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-7), and may not recover any additional benefit otherwise payable as a result of being under seventeen (17) years of age under the definition of a minor in IC 22-3-6-1. The student is considered the employee of the employer while performing services for the employer under section 7 of this chapter.

(b) A student performing services for an employer under section 7 of this chapter shall be considered a full-time employee for the purpose of computing compensation for permanent impairment under the worker's compensation law (IC 22-3-2 through IC 22-3-6).

(c) Employers and students under section 7 of this chapter are exempt from IC 20-8.1-4-25.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.240, SEC.1.) As amended by Acts 1981, P.L.199, SEC.1; P.L.28-1988, SEC.17; P.L.106-1992, SEC.10.

IC 20-10.1-6-8.5

Vocational youth organization fund; creation; grants; annual appropriation

Sec. 8.5. (a) A vocational youth organization fund is created to assist in carrying out the purposes of this chapter. This fund shall be

administered by the state superintendent of public instruction.

(b) The state superintendent of public instruction may award grants from the vocational youth organization fund for combined vocational activities of the organizations which are an integral part of the instructional program in vocational education. Areas of vocational instruction for which grants may be awarded include, but are not limited to, agriculture, business and office occupations, health occupations, distributive education, home economics and trade industrial education.

(c) There is appropriated to the state superintendent of public instruction a sum to be determined annually by the Indiana General Assembly, out of the state general fund, to implement this section. *As added by Acts 1977, P.L.247, SEC.3. Amended by Acts 1979, P.L.212, SEC.1.*

IC 20-10.1-6-9

Repealed

(Repealed by P.L.217-1987, SEC.29.)

IC 20-10.1-6-10

Repealed

(Repealed by P.L.217-1987, SEC.29.)

IC 20-10.1-6-11

Advisory committee

Sec. 11. Each governing body administering approved vocational schools or departments for industrial, agricultural, or home economics education shall appoint an advisory committee composed of members representing local trades, industries, and occupations. The advisory committee shall advise the governing body and other school officials having the management and supervision of these schools or departments.

(Formerly: Acts 1975, P.L.240, SEC.1.) As amended by P.L.217-1987, SEC.13.

IC 20-10.1-6-12

Repealed

(Repealed by P.L.217-1987, SEC.29.)

IC 20-10.1-6-13

Repealed

(Repealed by P.L.217-1987, SEC.29.)

IC 20-10.1-6-14

Joint vocational education courses

Sec. 14. (a) As used in this section, "vocational education course" means a vocational education course that is:

- (1) an approved high school course under the rules of the state board of education; and
- (2) included on the list of approved courses that the board

develops and approves under IC 20-1-18.4-3.

(b) A school corporation that has entered into an agreement for a joint program of vocational education with one (1) or more other school corporations may not add a new vocational education course to its curriculum unless the course has been approved in the following manner:

(1) In the case of an agreement under IC 20-1-18, the course must be approved by the management board for the joint program.

(2) In the case of an agreement under IC 20-5-11, the course must be approved by the governing body of the school corporation that is designated to administer the joint program under IC 20-5-11-3. However, if that governing body refuses to approve the course, the course may be approved by a majority of the governing bodies of the school corporations that are parties to the agreement.

As added by P.L.217-1987, SEC.14. Amended by P.L.40-2002, SEC.3.